

## Unit 15

### Day 2

### The Remainder Theorem

Remainder Theorem: If the polynomial  $P(x)$  is divided by  $x-k$ , the remainder is  $P(k)$

1)  $P(x) = x^3 + 8x^2 - 5x - 84$   $\div (x+5)$   
 $x = -5$

$$\begin{array}{r} -5 \overline{) 1 \ 8 \ -5 \ -84} \\ \underline{-5 \ -15 \ 100} \\ 1 \ 3 \ -20 \ 16 \end{array}$$

$$P(-5) = 16$$

$$P(-5) = (-5)^3 + 8(-5)^2 - 5(-5) - 84 = 16$$

For each polynomial, use the remainder theorem and synthetic division for find  $f(k)$ .

2)  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 8x - 12$   ~~$k$~~   $= -2$   
 $\div (x+2)$

$$f(-2) = 2(-2)^3 + 3(-2)^2 - 8(-2) - 12$$

$$= 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -2 & 2 & 3 & -8 & -12 \\ & & -4 & 2 & 12 \\ \hline & 2 & -1 & -6 & 0 \end{array}$$

When is the remainder theorem useful?

Is  $P(x) = -2x^{19} + 8x^{17} - 6x^{10} + x^8 + 12$  divisible by  $x-2$ ?

$$P(2) = \overset{-1 \cdot 2 \cdot 2^{19}}{-2(2)^{19}} + \overset{2^3 \cdot 2^{17}}{8(2)^{17}} - (6(2)^{10}) + 2^8 + 12$$

$$= \cancel{-2^{20}} + \cancel{2^{20}} - 6144 + 256 + 12$$

$$= -5876 \quad \text{No}$$

Is  $P(x) = x^{26} - 6x^{18} + 3$  divisible by  $x - i$

$$\begin{aligned} P(i) &= i^{26} - 6i^{18} + 3 \\ &= i^2 - 6i^2 + 3 \\ &= -1 + 6 + 3 \\ &= 8 \quad \text{NO} \end{aligned}$$

Extra problems:

- 1) Is  $P(x) = x^{99} - 2x^{52} + x^2$  divisible by  $x + 1$ ?
- 2) Is  $P(x) = x^{101} + 3x^{20} + x^3$  divisible by  $x - i$ ?
- 3) Find the value of  $k$  so that  $(x^2 + 4x + 8) \div (x - k)$  has a remainder of 4.

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